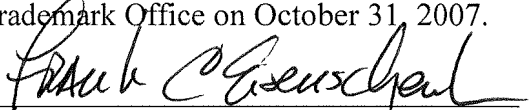


I hereby certify that this correspondence is being electronically filed in the United States Patent and Trademark Office on October 31, 2007.



Frank C. Eisenschenk, Ph.D., Patent Attorney

REQUEST FOR A LIMITED SUSPENSION
OF ACTION
Docket No. MET-037CXT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Examiner : Leonard M. Williams
Art Unit : 1617
Applicants : Paul D. van Poelje, Mark D. Erion, Toshihiko Fujiwara
Serial No. : 09/900,364
Filed : July 5, 2001
Conf. No. : 7049
For : Combination of FBPase Inhibitors and Antidiabetic Agents Useful for the Treatment of Diabetes

Mail Stop RCE
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313

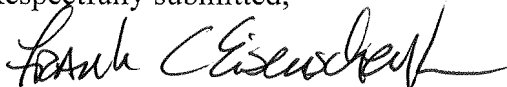
REQUEST FOR A LIMITED SUSPENSION OF ACTION AFTER A
REQUEST FOR CONTINUED APPLICATION (RCE)

Sir:

Applicants hereby request a suspension of action in this matter under 37 C.F.R. §1.103(c). This paper is being filed with a Request for Continued Examination in compliance with § 1.114 and Applicants request that action in this application be suspended for a period of three (3) months. The processing fee of \$130.00 was paid at the time this Request was filed.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any other necessary fees under 37 CFR §§1.16 or 1.17 as required by this paper to Deposit Account No. 19-0065.

Respectfully submitted,



Frank C. Eisenschenk, Ph.D.

Patent Attorney

Registration No. 45,332

Phone No.: 352-375-8100

Fax No.: 352-372-5800

Address: P.O. Box 142950

Gainesville, FL 32614-2950

FCE/sl